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Title: TERNARY PHOTONINITIATOR SYSTEM FOR CATIONICALLY
POLYMERIZABLE RESINS

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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR §§ 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98, enclosed is a completed Form PTO-1449, citing references submitted for consideration by the Examiner. A copy of each cited reference is also enclosed. It is respectfully requested that the Examiner initial and return the enclosed Form PTO-1449 to indicate that each reference has been considered.

In satisfaction of Applicants' obligation to discuss the relevance of foreign language documents, Applicants provide the following information:

WO 98/22521 – Disclosed are polymerizable substances containing a) 3 to 80 wt.% of an epoxide or a mixture of epoxides corresponding to general formula given for types A and B; b) 0 to 80 wt.% of an epoxide or a mixture of epoxides which are different from a); c) 3 to 85 wt.% of a filler material; d) 0,01 to 25 wt.% of initiators, inhibitors and/or accelerators; e) 0 to 25 wt.% of auxiliary agents, the individual percentages of which are in relation to the total weight. The new polymerizable agents are particularly suited as dental material.

WO 99/27892 – The invention relates to preparations with improved hardening characteristics, characterised in that they contain from 0.0005 to 50 % wt of soluble and/or finely divided, organic and/or inorganic, alkaline earth and/or alkali metals. These preparations can be used for gluing, sealing, casting and coating of substrates, as well as in preparations for dental surgeons and dental technicians, and for moulding objects, especially dental objects.

WO 00/19966 – The invention concerns dental compositions. Said dental composition comprises (1) a silicone crosslinkable and/or polymerisable by cationic process; (2) an efficient amount of at least an initiator such as an organometallic complex borate; and (3) a dental filler present in the composition in a proportion of at least 10 wt. % relative to the composition total weight. Said dental compositions are useful for making dental prostheses or for dental restoration.

WO 00/19967 – The invention concerns dental compositions. Said composition comprises (1) a silicone crosslinkable and/or polymerisable by cation process; (2) an efficient amount of at least an initiator such as onium borate; (3) at least a photosensitizer; and (4) a dental filler present in the composition in a proportion of at least 10 wt. % relative to the composition total weight. Said dental compositions are useful for making dental prostheses or for dental restoration.

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